Programme (NSDP) that was launched in 1996. The NSDP, which was discontinued *w.e.f.* 1.4.2005, and VAMBAY have been subsumed under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) launched on 3.12.2005. The sub-Mission on Basic Services to Urban Poor (BSUP) provides for assistance to the States/Urban local bodies/ para statals for housing and provision of basic amenities to urban poor in the Mission cities. The other cities and towns are covered under the scheme of Integrated Housing & Slum Development Programme (IHSDP).

MRTS in other cities

1142. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are planning to introduce Mass Rapid Transit System (MRTS) like Delhi metro in other cities;

(b) if so, whether Government are working on a policy in this behalf;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of any proposal to secure funds for development of MRTS in cities across India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) Urban Transport being a State subject, proposals for MRTS in individual cities originate from the respective State Governments.

(b) and (c) The draft National Urban Transport Policy recommends that all million plus cities should plan for mass transit systems using any of the proven technologies. It also offers Central Government financial support by way of equity or one time viability gap funding.

(d) There is no specific proposal aimed at securing funds for the development of MRTS in cities across India. Individual project authorities are expected to secure funding from various sources such as private participation, loans from financial institutions, multi-lateral/bi-lateral agencies, property development, etc.

Migrants to cities

1143. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that across the country thousands of migrants throng to cities in search of a livelihood; and